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WHITE AND UNMARRIED

From the story by John D. Swan
Scenario by Will M. Ritchey
Directed by Tom Forman

The Cast

Billy Kane.....Thomas Meighan
Andree Duphot.....Jacqueline Logan
Dorothea Welter.....Grace Darmond
Chicoq.....Walter Long
Marechal.....Lloyd Whitlock
Mr. Welter.....Fred Vroom
Mrs. Welter.....Marion Skinner
Victor.....Georgie Stone
Jacques.....Jack Herbert

57 Reels

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Billy Kane, known to his crook associates as "The Hermit" because he always works alone, has just returned via the fire escape from a professional call at the Welter home, bringing with him Mrs. Welter's diamond bar pin and a photograph of her daughter. Billy is much taken with the photograph and wishes he could know the original. Fate is with him, for under the door has been pushed a telegram from a firm of attorneys announcing the death of his uncle, Ten-Carat Murphy, a race track bookmaker, and that by the will, Billy is heir to a half million.

At first Billy is elated, but the novelty soon palls, and after donating a thousand dollars to the Police Relief Fund as a sort of pledge of future good faith, he decides to take a trip to Europe to kill time.

On the steamer he meets the Welters, who are also crossing, and by reason of his wealth—not his manners — and because Dorothea Welter is always looking for something exciting, becomes quite friendly with them.

In Paris they stay at the same hotel and Billy takes Dorothea out one evening to see the "other side" of Paris. At "The Mill of the Half-Gods" dance hall, Dorothea drops one of her gloves and a young Frenchman, Marechal, picks it up for her. He asks her to dance, and she consents. While his partner is away, Billy notices little Andree Duphot, the popular dancer of the hall. He strolls over and she laughingly asks him to dance with her. This enrages Chicoq, an Apache leader, and an unwelcome admirer of Andree's. While Andree and Billy are having a little supper, Chicoq tries to knife the latter for interfering when he wants to take Andree away.

Billy floors Chicoq and at the urging of Andree, leaves the hall with Dorothea and Marechal. The Three go to a winerom, and Billy discovers that Marechal is a pickpocket, but recovers his watch-knowing of course, all the tricks of the trade.

Billy becomes friendly with Andree who is taking charge of two little sisters, but Chicoq vows vengeance and decoys Andree into a taxi and takes her to an old house. For some time Billy searches for her in vain. Dorothea in the meantime has married Marechal without any one's consent, and has been quickly disillusioned as to her husband's real character. She sends for Billy and tells him that Marechal is in league with Chicoq who had Andree a prisoner at Marechal's old farm. Dorothea gives Billy the address of the old farm, and implores him to "make her a widow". He persuades her to go back to her father.

Arrived at the old farm house, and leaving Victor, his youthful French admirer and assistant, in the taxi, Billy meets with many difficulties before he liberates Andree. He finally kills Chicoq, Marechal, and another man, and rescues Andree.

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